

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

No. POL. 63/2019/Pt./27,

Dated: Shillong, the 27th Novem

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NOTIFICATION

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> Sd/-(D.D. Shira) Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Political Department. ----

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 16th November, 2019

S.O. 4132 (E). - Whereas, the Central Government is of the opinion that the Hynniewtrep National Liberation Council (hereinafter referred to as the HNLC) along with all its factions, wings and front organisations of Meghalaya has been openly declaring as its objective the secession of the areas in the State of Meghalaya (largely inhabited by Khasi and Jaintia Tribals) from the Indian Union;

And whereas, the Central Government is of the opinion that the HNLC has, -

- (i) openly declared objective for secession of areas in the State of Meghalaya, largely inhabited by Khasi and Jaintia tribals from India;
- (ii) continued intimidation and bullying of the civilian population for extortion of funds for their organisation;
- (iii) maintained links with other insurgent groups of the North Eastern region for carrying out acts of extortion and intimidation;
- (iv) maintained camps in Bangladesh for the purpose of sanctuary and training of their cadres;

And whereas, the Central Government is also of the opinion that the unlawful and violent activities which are attributed to HNLC include -

- (a) four incidents of violence involving killing of one civilian, during the period from 1st January, 2015 to 31st July, 2019;
- (b) arrest of sixteen of its cadres during the said period;
- (c) recovery of four weapons during the said period;
- (d) surrender of fourteen of its cadres during the said period;
- (e) four persons have been kidnapped during the above said period;

And whereas, the Central Government is also of the opinion that for the reasons aforesaid, the HNLC together with its factions, wings or front organisations, is an 'unlawful association';

And whereas, the Central Government is also of the opinion that the aforesaid activities of the HNLC are detrimental to the sovereignty and integrity of India, and if these are not immediately curbed and controlled, the HNLC would regroup and rearm itself, expand its cadres, procure sophisticated weapons, cause loss of lives of civilians and security forces, and accelerate its anti-national activities;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 (37 of 1967), (hereinafter referred to as the said Act). the Central Government hereby declares the Hynniewtrep National Liberation Council (HNLC), along with all its factions, wings and front organisations as unlawful association;

The Central Government, having regard to the activities of HNLC, mentioned above, and to meet the violent activities committed by HNLC in the past, is of the opinion that circumstances exist which render it necessary to declare the HNLC, along with all its factions, wings and front organisations to be unlawful association with immediate effect and accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to sub-section (3) of Section 3 of the said Act, hereby directs that this notification shall, subject to any order that may be made under Section 4 of the said Act, have effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

[F. No. 11011/02/2019-NE-V] SATYENDRA GARG, Jt. Sccy.

Memo. No. POL. 63/2019/Pt./27-A, Copy to:

Dated: Shillong, the 27th November, 2019.

- 1. The Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North East Division, North Block, New Delhi 110 001.
- 2 The Director General of Police, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 3. The Addl. Director General of Police (SB), Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 4. The Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin/ South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat/ West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai/ East Jaintia Hills District, Khlichriat/ Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh/ East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar/ West Garo Hills District, Tura/ South Garo Hills District, Baghmara/ North Garo Hills District, Resubelpara/ South West Garo Hills District, Ampati.
- 5. The Superintendent of Police, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin/ South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat/ West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai/ East Jaintia Hills District, Khliehriat/ Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh/ East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar/ West Garo Hills District, Tura/ South Garo Hills District, Baghmara/ North Garo Hills District, Resubelpara/ South West Garo Hills District, Ampati.
- 6. The Director, Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong with a request to publish the above Notification in the Official Gazette and supply 25 (twenty five) copies of the same to this Department on or before the 3rd December, 2019, positively, for onward transmission of the same to the Government of India. Kindly treat the matter as 'MOST IMMEDIATE'. This has the approval of the 'Competent Authority.'

7. Guard File.

W' By order cic.,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,

Political Department.